

High School Title Series Opens Tomorrow—Griff Signs Another Outfielder

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Massey, Drafted From Galveston of Texas League, Sends in Signed Contract.

HE AND BROWN ARE BOTH LEFT-HANDED BATSMEN
McGraw Trying to Get Benny Kauff and Marsans From the Federal League.

BY J. ED GRILLO.
Another outfielder has been added to the Nationals' list. His name is Massey and he played with Galveston in the Texas League. Massey, like Brown from the same league, was obtained by the local club through the draft. Their names were withheld, however, because it was feared the Federal League would try to corral these players. The contract was received Saturday and Massey's arrival here this morning, much to the pleasure of Manager Griffith, who has reason for believing that both of these youngsters have a good chance to make good.

Scout Kahoe discovered these youngsters while touring through Texas last summer. Neither of them seemed well enough advanced to warrant their purchase, but it was thought well worth while putting in drafts for them.

In this club was successful. Massey and Brown, the side partner of the south in the spring. Little is known regarding their ability. Other than saying that they are both left-handed. Kahoe gives no further information.

Base ball under existing conditions is anything but a profitable proposition. The Athletics, for instance, barely broke even on the season, and that only because they obtained \$40,000 as their part of the world series receipts. Mack had a much higher salary list than usual, this because of the presence of the Federal League. The team did not draw as well as usual at home, and the result is they are set for a loss. On the road the Mackmen have never been a drawing card. There are no entertainment features connected with the team, which, while a wonderful club, does nothing which entertains except to win.

John McGraw admits that he is trying to obtain the services of Benny Kauff, the Federal League's leading batter, who played with Indianapolis last season. It was asserted that McGraw had succeeded in obtaining Kauff's signature to a contract, and that he had paid him \$25,000 as a bonus for signing. This has since been denied, but may be true. Incidentally, McGraw is trying to get the services of another outfielder who jumped the Cincinnati club, but was enjoined from playing with the Reds last summer, though he could not play. The trial of his case is to come before the Federal League court. McGraw is permanently enjoined from playing with the Reds McGraw proposes to make some money this winter out of the sale of the rights to the team, which he can obtain his services.

It is questionable if the ball player ever existed who sold so large a balance on the interest in the team. The balance as did Johnny Evers this year. If the reports of his net earnings this year are correct, there is no need for Johnny worrying about the winter cold or his breakfast. It is estimated that Evers cleared \$40,000 for the season. He was paid a twenty-five-thousand dollar bonus for signing after he had mixed up with Bobby. His contract called for \$10,000 for the season and this, together with the war series money and the automobile which was sent him for being the most valuable player to his team, brings his earnings to the amount mentioned.

There also is a chance for Evers to make some money this winter out of vaudeville. He is said to have a lot of offers and there is no doubt about his making good, for he would be a good drawing card.

Much of the success of the Braves is now attributed to the fact that Manager Stallings insisted on morning practice after the middle of the season, the players are under strain enough during the hot afternoons. But Stallings kept his players working day after day and it is said that because of this work they finally got to winning and ran away with the pennant. Stallings' method of training for a championship team fading after a couple of seasons is the failure to put base ball above outside attractions.

The moment any man neglects his business for outside considerations his business suffers. Players come into base ball filled with ambitions and at a small salary. After they become champions they buy automobiles, invest in real estate and other things, and are off of their business, with the result that their team fails.

To an extent this was true of the Athletics this year. The players did not take the interest in their playing as formerly, and their defeat in the world series resulted.

RACE HORSES WAR PRIZES.
British Government Seizes Foes' Steeds Worth \$500,000.

NEW YORK, N. Y., October 19.—Next to the German ships seized by the British government since the outbreak of the war probably the most valuable prizes of war are the racing stables in England formerly belonging to Germans and Austrians, but now the property of the board of racing authorities. Shortly after the war broke out a London paper published a list of horses owned by Germans and Austrians and racing under their colors on English tracks. Acting on this hint and profiting by an old act which allows private informers to claim a share of the sale proceeds, a number of citizens brought actions and horses valued at \$500,000 were seized.

Among the horses seized was the stable belonging to Baron Springer and managed by the veteran trainer, Butters, at Newmarket. In this stable are Adular and Aides, bred by the Hungarian government stud and lent to Baron Springer for racing purposes only. Adular, valued at \$100,000, has not yet been advertised for sale, but the name and blood, another member of the same stable, will soon be sold at auction at Newmarket.

REFEREE CAUGHT IN TRICK PLAY CRUSH
NEW YORK, October 19.—In the New York University-Haverford football game Saturday afternoon, referee Ed Thorpe was bowled over twice. Each time he found it necessary to blow his whistle for time out while he recovered from two severe amnesia. The intricate formations and trick plays employed by Haverford developed so quickly that before Thorpe had an opportunity to judge their legality he was caught unaware and knocked over by the charging Pennsylvania eleven. At the close of the game Thorpe limped to the dressing room.

TROY WILL PAY HONOR TO MOST NOTED CITIZEN
Four Thousand to Attend Big Testimonial Dinner for Evers of Braves.

NEW YORK, October 19.—One of the greatest testimonials ever given a hero of the sporting world will be witnessed at Troy tonight. This is the home town of John J. Evers, the keystone king of the world champion Braves. And the "Human Crab" is the object of all the fuss and clatter. He has been tested and banqueted many times before, but several times, in fact, since Stallings wrested the crown from the Athletics—but in no manner so elaborate as the entertainment which will witness his crowning triumph tonight.

Preparations have been made for 4,000 guests. It is necessary to press into commission all the galleries and assembly rooms of the armory to provide facilities. Every one who amounts to anything in Troy will be there, from the mayor to the bat boy of the local team. Gov. Glynn and fellow-executives from several adjacent states have accepted invitations.

Manager George T. Stallings of the Braves, who has been visiting in this city, will leave for Troy this afternoon. The big chief is to be accompanied by President James E. Gaffney and Ed Barry, the mayor of the International League. A number of prominent baseball men of New York and Philadelphia also have been invited. "Rabbit" Marans, the side partner of Evers on the diamond, and Fred Mitchell, the club coach, will be guests of honor.

Philadelphia fans will make their debut as a vaudeville team at a local theater today.

CRIMSON BACKFIELD RETURNS.
Hardwick, Logan and Mahan Ready to Resume Work.

CAMBRIDGE, October 19.—Although greatly disappointed over its failure to beat Tufts by a more decisive score Saturday, the Harvard football players will start work for the Pennsylvania state game considerably cheered by the return of some of the cripples whose absence has been so keenly felt. The coaches feel that the team will come around into very good trim for its match with the University of Michigan October 31.

Beginning today, the regular backfield will start at work again. Bradlee, who did much service against Tufts, is entitled to a rest, but Hardwick and Logan again will get into the thick of things. It is very doubtful whether Mahan will be allowed to play much foot ball this week, as the coaches wish to make sure of him against Michigan not only for his running, but for his punting and drop kicking. Penneck will be back in the line in a day or two and Trumbull's injury Saturday did not amount to much, Harvard will have what is left of its first string strength pretty much in hand from this time on.

Bedient Released by Red Sox.
BOSTON, October 19.—Hugh Bedient, one of the Red Sox pitching stars during the 1912 world series with the Giants, has been released by the Boston American League club to the Providence club of the International League.

Joseph Lannin, who owns both the Boston and Providence clubs, sent Bedient to the Grays with a view of keeping the International championship at Providence next year.

WHERE OUR BATTLES RAGE.

GOODNESS ME - I CANNOT SEE WHY THEY WOULDN'T LET ME PLAY ON THE TEAM!

NOW, BOYS LISTEN TO REASON - WHAT DO YOU CARE FOR A BROKEN BACK OR AN EYE GOUGED OUT OR CONCUSSION OF THE BRAIN FROM A FRACTURED SKULL? WON'T YOU BE DOING IT FOR YOUR DEAR OLD ALMA MATER?

YOU SAID A MOUTHFUL COACH!

TH' MAN IS RIGHT, BOYS!

HE WON HIS LETTER: 3,000,000 KILLED IN ONE BATTLE IN EUROPE - HUMPH!

HEALY, OUR FULLBACK SUSTAINED A SPRAINED TOE - ISN'T THAT HORRIBLE? HE WON'T BE ABLE TO PUNT IN SATURDAY'S GAME - ISN'T THAT AWFUL?

THAT'S SOMEFIN FIERCE!

PERTINENT COMMENT

Happenings in Sportdom

BY J. ED GRILLO.
That Connie Mack's players were given a severe setback by the rest system employed during the closing weeks of the American League campaign, is the general opinion of base ball men. For a week the Athletics remained idle and then tried to get themselves on edge playing three games with the New York Yankees, one of the weakest teams in the league. As a result, the Athletics were far from being on edge when they struck the Braves, and looked much weaker than they really are.

In 1910 and 1911 Mack employed an entirely different system of keeping his players on edge after he had the pennant won. In those years he pitted his team against an all-star combination organized by Jim McAlleer, and the result was that the Mackmen outplayed their rivals in the world series without much trouble.

Stallings followed a similar program this year. He did not rest his team after clinching the pennant, but kept them at it right to the time the world series opened. He closed the season Tuesday and then put in two days of strenuous practice, with the result that when the world series opened his team was on edge for the strain.

It was a safe prediction that the next time Mack wins a pennant his team will not be allowed to rest before the world series.

Just how much reliance is to be placed in any statement which Jim Gilmore, the head of the Federal League, may make was demonstrated Saturday when Gilmore said there had been no conference with organized base ball and that neither he or any one else connected with the movement had been approached by organized base ball.

On that same day Charles Weepman, the owner of the Chicago club of the Federal League, said that he and Gilmore had been in New York together with the Chairman, Hermann, and other organized base ball men. This meeting was arranged during the world series. Just what the outcome was is not yet known, but it shows beyond question that a majority of the men in organized base ball are willing to bury the hatchet and get together.

The head-first slide is one feature of base ball which has been almost entirely eliminated from the game. It is seldom nowadays that a player slides into a bag head first. Of late years all slides are made feet first because of the better chance the runner has to avoid being touched when going into a base and furthermore because of the spikes which endanger the basemen when in the act of touching the runner.

But in the old days there were some wonderfully capable head-first sliders. Jack Doyle of the old Baltimore team was one of the experts of the game in that line. He was so expert that he could avoid being touched by a player holding the ball in waiting for him as he is the feet-first sliders of today.

Winter predictions in the base ball world are going to be utterly impossible. That it is a precarious undertaking to pick winners was proven by the upsets of the National League during the past season. Incidentally the raids the Federal League are making on some of the National League teams is going to make the picking in that league more difficult than ever before, though if the Braves are allowed to remain intact while some of the other contenders are weakened it will look very much as if Stallings' team is destined to repeat.

The Cardinals furnish the most uncertain of the old league teams. To date two of Higgins' stars have jumped to the Feds and the outlaws claim to have six of the best players on that team.

The activity of the Federals is causing some surprise in organized base ball circles. Though the contention has been made that the losses of the outlaws last season were so terrific that they were bound to remain intact, the invaders are busier right now than ever before. It is known that the National League that they are aiming to wreck. Five players have been lured to the Federals since the beginning of the season and it is known that Evers, Jones, under an assumed name, has been around New York trying to induce some of the Giants to come to his St. Louis team.

If the ball players allow themselves to be lured into breaking their contracts, base ball is going to suffer and it will only be a question of time.

New World Record for Roque.
CHICAGO, October 19.—Charles C. King of Chicago, western roque champion, yesterday made what was claimed to be a world record by scoring 53 points without a miss out of a possible 64. King defeated H. P. Ennis, 32 to 6.

EASILY WIN SOCCER GAME.
Sons of St. George Trim Washington Team by Score of 7 to 0.

BALTIMORE, Md., October 19.—The Sons of St. George soccer team again showed old-time form at Sutton, Colgate Creek, yesterday, by downing the Washington Foot Ball Association team, 7 goals to 0.

In the first half brilliant work was done by the Sons, their teamwork and passing completely baffling the Washington team, and when the whistle was blown for the ending of the first half the score was 5 to 0. The Sons had things their own way and shot at Will. Stedman, at goal for the visitors, saved many difficult shots, but when the Sons forward line procured the ball they shot it through the corners. After ten minutes of play McCrowe started the scoring by booting two goals in succession, while Tuttle, Horn and F. Downing each shot one.

The second half started off with the Washington crowd forcing the Sons' fullbacks to kick to safety. The Sons did score again after five minutes, Tuttle shot goals, and the final score was 7 to 0. The visitors had a chance to keep from being whitewashed, when they were awarded a penalty kick, but Wright put the leather into Blake's hands. Three players were injured during the game, including Blake, Grieves and Wright. The latter had his eye cut, but all gamely finished the contest.

The line-up: Sons—Goal, Blake; fullbacks, Dronfield and Windsor; halfbacks, Burgess, Downing, Tuttle, forwards, Tuttle, McCrowe, F. Downing, Gebhardt and Horn.

Washington—Goal, Stedman; fullbacks, Rollins and Wright; halfbacks, Hunt, Wilson and Collins; forwards, L. Lackey, Grieves, Hume, R. Holmes.

Referee—Mr. Kopp, Americans. Linesmen—Messrs. Springham and Lackey.

MICHIGAN OUTLOOK GLOOMY.
Only Two of 1913 Regulars Left for Coach Yost.

ANN ARBOR, October 19.—Michigan's foot ball outlook is clouded in gloom with the sudden loss of Quarterback Hughie in the Aggie game, and the announcement that Right Halfback Galt, the only other backfield regular, will be unable to play this fall. Coach Yost now has but two regulars left last season. Of this pair Capt. Raynsford has been shifted to center and Lynch is at right end.

TECHNICAL AND EASTERN BEGIN SCHOLASTIC SEASON TOMORROW

Manual Trainers Will Have More Experienced Eleven in First Game Than Eastern—Three Big Contests This Week.

BY H. C. BYRD.
The series of games for the foot ball championship of the high schools begins tomorrow with a contest between Technical and Eastern. Play will start at 3:30 o'clock, and the scene of the battle will be the old Union League Park, the place where the series was staged last season.

Just which team will open the series with a victory is hard to foretell. It is very difficult to make predictions with regard to scholastic contests, anyway, and either eleven may finish with the long end of the score. It is almost a certainty, though, that Eastern will be considerably outweighed and will be against a more experienced eleven. Whether that advantage in experience and weight will be sufficient to decide the contest in Tech's favor is a matter of conjecture, although it would appear to place the Manual Trainers in decidedly the better position. But it will be interesting to see how the Manual Trainers will fare in their first game, and how much of an advantage in weight and experience a year ago, and yet barely won.

With the exception of one or two men, Tech has back in its line-up the nucleus of the eleven that won the last year's championship. The Manual Trainers, on the contrary, has lost the two players who were the strength of the team last year. The Manual Trainers were the brilliant performers for the Capitol Hill team, the nucleus of the eleven that won the last year's championship. The Manual Trainers were the brilliant performers for the Capitol Hill team, the nucleus of the eleven that won the last year's championship.

There is every indication that Central is going to put up a great battle in the series. The Blue and White has been showing more consistent form than any of the other eleven, and it is known that, with a possible exception, it has the heaviest aggregation that will be seen in the games. Tech has won the last year's championship, but the Manual Trainers are very light. Central has few small players in its line-up, and the majority of the boys went through last season.

The Blue and White developed its present team a year ago, and its work this season has been such as to indicate exceptional power. Central has a bunch of boys who are going to fight for the title, and if they fail to win it will not be because they have not tried. The splendid showing against the Navy played last Saturday practically places the team in a position where it must be considered, right at any rate, the strongest of the five scholastic organizations.

Incidentally it might be mentioned in this connection that there is another team, the Navy, which is a favorite omen. The name McDonald and good teams at Central have been anonymous, and this year may be another such case. It is "like" brother of "Cy" and "Mike," who is doing the good work this fall, and he is holding down the halfback's job in a manner that admits of no criticism. He is playing splendidly on the defensive, and is doing his share in advancing the ball. It might also be mentioned that besides being a good foot ball and base ball player, he possesses all the splendid qualities of his older brothers.

Georgetown will have to exhibit a lot of improvement this week if it is to hold the Pittsburgh eleven Saturday to such a score as will show well. That Washington and Lee was able to score two touchdowns on the local team is evidence that the slashing attack of such a combination as must represent Georgetown will not be without effect. Also it is probable that Pittsburgh's defense will be put to the test, and the Blue and White will not be able to penetrate it, unless the uncertainty in handling the ball is eliminated. Fumbling is said to have been the chief fault of the offense of the Hilltoppers against the Lexington eleven, and this is one feature that can be eliminated by consistent practice.

Georgetown, according to the comparative scores made against the Navy, will be against the most powerful eleven it has faced this year when it lines up in battle with Pittsburgh. The Pennsylvania eleven have humbled every team it has faced this fall, including Cornell and the Navy, and any eleven that can whip these teams on successive Saturdays must be away.

FAST BOUT EXPECTED.
Thomas and Marshall Said to Be Ready to Do Rapid Work.

The twenty-round match between Young Thomas and Kid Marshall, which is to take place before the Ardmore Athletic Club tonight, promises to furnish one of the most interesting bouts of the season.

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HOME RUNS HIT OFF GIANTS AND BRAVES
New York Pitchers Cracked More Under the Strain Than Did Boston's.

BY ERNEST J. LANIGAN.
The Giants' pitchers last season cracked more under the strain when it came to being located for home runs than the Braves' hurlers, Mathewson & Co. being dented for forty-six four-baggers, and Rudolph and his associates for thirty-eight. The surprising thing about the homers gleamed off the two staffs, is that no less than sixteen were made off Christy Mathewson, whose work was just as able in 1914 as it was in certain of the preceding campaigns. Vic Saler, Cub first baseman, reached "Big Six" for a quartet of circuit clouts, and Ivy Wingo and "Chief" Wilson of the Cards each got next to the Old Master for two. Nine homers are charged up against "Rube" Marquard, holder of the National League winning and losing streak record, Sherwood Magee and Gavvy Cravath of the Phils each knocking Richard Le Marquis for a brace of four-ply wallopers in one controversy. Art Fromme of the Cardinals, four-bag blow, Jeff Tesreau seven, Al Demaree three (two obtained by Frank Schulte, 1911 National League batting champion), George Wiltse two and "Rube" Schauer one.

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WAR HARD ON FRENCH SPORT.
Champion Swimmer's Name Added to List of Athletes Killed.

PARIS, October 19.—The war has been hard on French sport. A number of athletes have given their lives for their country. The latest to be added to the list of victims is that of Eugene Estrade, champion swimmer of France, who was killed in the battle at Dieppe.

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